



Literacy, Humanity and Indian Education for All: An Institute for Writing, Reading, Inquiry and Reflection

A Montana Writing Project Summer Institute
to be held in Browning, Montana July 12-30th, 2010

The Summer Institute Experience

MWP's Browning Summer Institute is a writing- and teaching-intensive program, offered in a three-week time frame (7 graduate credits). The MWP invites teachers of all content areas, kindergarten through university levels, to participate in the Summer Institute experience. Participants develop a working understanding of what it means to write in their disciplinary area(s) of endorsement, and draw from their own experiences as readers, writers, and teachers in a learning community dedicated to literacy for all students; however, they will also extend beyond their own experiences to shape views of classrooms that are designed as literacy-rich environments for all students at all levels.

While it is based upon multiple purposes, the Montana Writing Project operates under three primary premises:

- 1) Teachers of writing themselves must write.
- 2) The teaching of writing can be improved by having teachers from all levels and all subject areas share their expertise with each other.
- 3) Teachers benefit from studying and conducting research.

A Place-based, Fully-Integrated Indian Education for All Model, Through Best Literacy Practices

Montana Writing Project recognizes the need to educate Montana students about the contemporary and historical contributions of its Indian peoples. MWP Summer Institutes incorporate place-based strategies, learning the history and exploring mutual and individual connections to our home communities and environments in order to implement a fully-integrated experience. Teachers and administrators looking for genuine, real-world insights on contemporary Native culture, issues, and connections to place will explore a wealth of openings through which to engage our students.

In addition, MWP is a preferred provider of NCLB training. Districts may sponsor teacher attendance through either Title or IEFA funds.

For more information and institute dates and locations, visit our website at:

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